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## **AMC LARs provide temporary mess hall**

Following the bombing inside the Camp Marez Dining Facility Dec. 21 in Mosul, Iraq, a place to dine was still needed for the Soldiers. The Army Materiel Command Logistic Support Element Forward team – who is supporting the 1st Brigade of the 25th Infantry Division (Light), provided much needed assistance.

Lt. Col. Cheri A. Provancha solicited Chief Warrant Officer Paul M. Wiatr and his team of Logistics Assistance Representatives to assist in putting together a temporary dining facility. Assisting Wiatr included Steve Winters, Bob Shoaff, Mike Stricker, Tony Parsons, John Wright, Scott Marcle, Dee Hughes and Craig Youngberg.

Working beside Soldiers, the LARs acquired the necessary materials to provide force protection, electricity, heating/cooling air systems and fluorescent light fixtures. The team spent 150 hours accomplishing this task, allowing the Soldiers to eat their first meal on Christmas Eve.

## **Employee retires after nearly four decades at AMC**

Geza Cseri, an employee with the Industrial Base Capabilities Division, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, is retiring from federal service after serving 38 of his 41 years working at AMC.

"It has been a very interesting and challenging journey," Cseri wrote in an e-mail dated Jan. 3.

After all, Cseri's employment with AMC has been as diverse as it has been challenging. He worked in research and development; procurement; supply, maintenance and transportation; budget; acquisition; quality and production engineering; and industrial base operation. Cseri also worked as a science and technology advisor to the supreme commander of NATO.

Cseri contributed to the development and fielding of the Cobra, Kiowa, and Apache helicopters and the upgrades of the Hueys and Chinooks. He also had a leading role in the development of aircraft turbine engines, which still power the M-1 Abrams Tank. In addition, Cseri played a major role in setting up the mobile "oil analysis" laboratory, Global Position Systems, and Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio Systems.

"I am humbled and at the same time proud that I was given the opportunity to contribute to the defense of freedom and democracy," said Cseri.

## Did you know...

Soldiers, civilians and contractors deployed to Iraq have received several items and services through the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program III contract. As of the end of October, under the LOGCAP III contract, Kellogg, Brown and Root (a Halliburton subsidiary) has:

- Prepared more than 160 million meals
- Washed more than 6.2 million bundles of laundry
- Produced more than 1 billion gallons of potable water
- Transported more than 300 million gallons of fuel
- Hosted more than 18 million patrons at Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities
- Delivered more than 560,000 bags of mail
- Logged more than 50 million miles transporting supplies and equipment for the military (with more than 900 trucks on the road on any given day)

LOGCAP, which is managed by the Army Field Support Command, is an Army initiative to pre-plan during peacetime for the use of civilian contractors to perform selected services in wartime and other contingencies so military units can be available for other missions. The program is designed to bridge gaps in resource availability by providing the Army with additional logistics support options.